Advice from the STARS

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ALMANACK

For the *YEAR* of Christ

1699.

Being the third after *Bissextile* or *Leap-year*.
And from the Creation according to Scripture 5648.
Furnished with Variety of Matter befitting such a Subject.

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To the *Meridian* of *Dublin*, where the *Pool-Artick* is Elevated above the *Horison* 53 deg. and 20 min. but also may Indifferently serve all other parts of *IRELAND* and great BRITTAIN.

To which is Added

An Account of all the Bishops and Pretended Bishops of Rome, down to the Year of Humane Redemption 1688. And some Conjecturations upon their Pretensions of Right to the Supremacy.

As Also

An Inquiry into certain Wrongs done to Astrology by way of Reply to Mr. *John Gadburys* Reflection on what in his Almanack for the last Year he Stiles the *Placidian Astrology*; and to a certain Pamphlet last Year set forth by *Andrew Cumsty* and other silly Fellows about *Christmas* 1697. Intituled *An Answer to the Almanack last Year Published* by

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TO THE READER.

Reader,

IT is not twice Twelve Months since it was objected to me, that sometimes I go beyond my Last, and perhaps may now again, for my meddling with a Subject Forraign to Astrology, which I pretend to be my more immediate province: But if it be, I do not much care, for however antiquity may seem to favour the saying, the best of Shoemakers will inform you, that it is no small excellency in their Craft to do so; and for such as are fond of Bigotted confinement, think as they please, for my part I cannot see why, any Mans reason should be bounded by other Mens unreasonable suppositions.

God endued Mankind with a Liberal Soul, and it were too much *like Popery, to limmit what God left unconfin'd*. And since I have born the Carveing, and trouble of my own Labour: I cannot but conclude him unreasonable, that shall think much, that I take the Liberty all Writers do: and that is by Writing to endeavour to please my self: for Charity begins at home, and I know of no obligation I lie under, to be more kind to others then my self; however I could heartily wish, that by obliging my self, I could oblige all others also; but since that is a Blessing too great for any *Mortal*, I do not in the least expect it; therefore such as are pleas'd with what I do, may read and welcome; and such are otherwise are welcome to let mine alone, and please themselves as otherwise they see more convenient.

God through his infinite mercies in the distribution of his Creatures, *variously* endu'd Mankind with *variety* of *Gifts*; and my lot fell not among the tribe of *Levi* but among the Stars; however since I profess my self a Servant to the *Blessed Jesus*, I believe I am obliged *not to hide my light under a Bushel*, but according to the measure of Grace and Knowledge given me, to endeavour Soul saving health to all my Brethren.

I Confess the task is the more peculiar concern, of such who are more immediately call'd to the Ministry and tho' they should prove negligent Servants, their evil lies not at my Door, but their own: nor that cannot excuse any omission in me; *for every tree that bringeth not forth Fruit is to be cut down and cast into the Fire*; and *he that knoweth to do well and doth it not, shall be beaten with many stripes*. And since I profess my self a *Protestant*, I must consequently

quently *look upon the Doctrine of the present Church of Rome to be* Idoletrous, and *contrary* to the *institution of Christ and his Apostles*; and therefore *I* cannot but conclude it incumbent upon all such as pretend to be better Christians, to their utmost endeavour to let her deluded followers see, *how dangerously they are lul'd in extream hazards of eternal* Blindness, *health and welfare.* And in order thereunto (for as much as concerns my particular Person) I intend (by the permission of Heaven) every year to handle some one particular of the Romish superstitions, according as they Gradually crept into the World, until I have proved *(contrary to the suppositions of the Papists)* that the *Protestant* (and not the *Romish*) is the *true visible Church upon Earth.* And since the SUPREMICY is the main point upon which most of their other innovations depend, I intend to begin with, and make that the subject of my this years discourse that way; and if the *foundation proves Sandy*, there will be great reason to believe the rest of the *Building feeble and infirm.*

I Confess there are many *Divine Pens*, abundantly more excellently qualified, then mine for this great Service, and variety of unanswerable volumes already extant upon this Subject; and Divine Service dayly publick, where one living word is more impressing, then a thousand dead Letters: but tho' there be, *I* hope my mite cannot do harm; for where there is plenty, there is the less danger of a Famine, and besides we know, that all the *laity among the Papists*, are *prohibited hearing* of the one, and the Reading of the other; or if they were not, it is not one Sermon among twenty where the point is debated: or if it were so, not one among a hundred can bear one half of a Sermon in memory, or know where or how to buy or read such more volumnious Authors: but an Almanack is both small of Price and Vollume, and yearly transmitted to the most remote parts of every Nation; and what *I* design of this kind shall be both short and plain, fitted to the meanest understanding and onely treat of one particular Subject in one year and therefore will be the more easily often read and borne in remembrance (then larger Volums, which at once treat of variety of Subjects) till by degrees the most material of the Popish innovations be by the assistance of the Divine being detected by,

From my House in St. Nicholas street, Uranias Servant,
Dublin, September 29th 1698.

John Whalley.

Month Days	Week Days	Full, Days Mur. Asp. & weather	Sun rise and set H. M.	The ☾ place	☾ Age	Monthly Observations
1	A	Circumcis	8 10 4	Thro	11	In my *Observations on the last*
2	b	☌ ♄ ☿	8 9 4	shoul	12	*month*, of the *last year*. I just
3	c	*cold snow*	8 8 4	Arms	13	made only mention of some *con-*
4	d	☍ *wind.*	8 7 4	stom.	14	*sultations, Meetings*, and *Coun*
5	e	✶ ♃ ♅	8 5 4	stom	15	*cels*, which *I* judg'd to be the con-
6	f	Twelf-day	8 4 4	heart	16	sequence of the then, and some
7	g	☌ ☿ ☿ ☽	8 2 4	back	17	preceding configurations; and
8	A	1 p. Epiph.	8 1 4	belly	18	promis'd before their effects past
9	b	*the second*	8 0 4	belly	19	over, to give my further thoughts
10	c	*week pleas*	7 59 5	reins	20	of them; & to make good my
11	d	*new snow*	7 57 5	and	21	word, I writ this in *September*
12	e	☌ ♄ ☿	7 56 5	loins	22	1698, and before either cause
13	f	☍ *Wind.*	7 54 5	secret	23	or effect take place my thoughts
14	g	✶ ♄ ♃	7 52 5	secret	24	are, that the *configurations of*
15	A	2. p. Epiph.	7 50 5	high	25	*the two past months and this*,
16	b	☌ ♄ ☿	7 48 5	thigh	26	*and the next*, will therein, or *in*
17	c	*till near*	7 46 5	high	27	*a very short space of time after*,
18	d	*the new* ☾	7 44 5	knees	28	*produce Ambassies, messages, and*
19	e	☌ ☉ ☿	7 42 5	knees	29	*mediations, for settling or con-*
20	f	*then more*	7 40 5	legs	30	*firming some grand Confeder-*
21	g	*pleasant.*	7 38 5	legs	1	*acy, League* or *Marriage*, of *great*
22	A	3. p. Epi.	7 36 5	legs	2	*consequence for the future re-*
23	b	Term beg.	7 35 5	feet	3	*pose of Christendom*; and tho' I
24	c	☌ ☉ ☿	7 33 5	feet	4	suppose there will be more then
25	d	*S. Paul*	7 31 5	head	5	a few under hand endeavours,
26	e	*inclin'd to*	7 29 5	face	6	used to prevent that so great
27	f	*Rain. fol*	7 27 5	neck	7	and good a work: yet I think
28	g	*lowed with*	7 25 5	throt	8	they will not be able for the pre-
29	A	4. p. Epiph	7 23 5	shout	9	sent, at least to take place; how-
30	b	☌ ☉ ♄	7 21 5	storm	10	ever *I* conclude it will not be
31	c	*cold snow.*	7 20 5	dom.	11	of that stability to hold long.

Full Moon the 5 day 42 min. past 5 in the Evening.
Last Quarter the 13 day 1 min. past 11 in the morning.
New Moon the 21 day 27 min. after 5 in the morning.
First Quarter the 28 day 58 min. past 1 Afternoon.

Month Days	Week Days	Feast Days Mut. Asp. and wear.	Sun rise and set H.M.H	The Ce place	Age
1	d	✶ ☉ ♃	7 19 5	stom	12
2	e	Candlemas	7 17 5	eart	13
3	f	warm and	7 15 5	and	14
4	g	pleasant	7 13 5	back	15
5	A	Septuagesi.	7 10 5	elly	16
6	b	□ ♃ ♂	7 7 5	belly	17
7	c	our new	7 4 5	reins	18
8	d	little va	7 2 5	loins	19
9	e	riable	6 59 6	secret	20
10	f	droping.	6 57 6	secr.	21
11	g	but after	6 54 6	secr.	22
12	A	Sexages.	6 52 6	thigh	23
13	b	Term ends	6 50 6	thig.	24
14	c	Valentine.	6 48 6	knees	25
15	d	the 5th or	6 46 6	knees	26
16	e	6th day.	6 44 6	knees	27
17	f	pleasant	6 42 6	legs	28
18	g	till the	6 40 6	legs	29
19	A	Quinquag	6 38 6	feet	1
20	b	✶ ♂ ☿ ♃	6 36 6	feet	2
21	c	Shro. Tue.	6 34 6	head	3
22	d	latter	2 6 32 6	&face	4
23	e	or 3 days	6 30 6	neck	5
24	f	St. Matth.	6 29 6	and	6
25	g	then cold	6 27 6	throa	7
26	A	Quadrag.	6 25 6	shoul	8
27	b	wind or	6 23 6	arm	9
28	c	Snow.	6 21 6	stum	10

Monthly Observations

The judgment of the last month & this depend promiscuously upon the *Winter-ingress*, and will produce effects much alike; only this will (*I believe*) more nearly put a *final determination to what past month could not give a period to*; and tho' *I* judge most of the proceedings of the three last months & this, will be managed with extraordinary secrecy; yet they will not pass without underhand rubs & impediments from some jealous neighbouring Prince or People, the *configurations are so* [illegible]*ferous*, that *I* conclude they will produce *either an absolute peace with the Turks*, or *something like it*, but *I* verily believe, it can be no less then *absolute and universal to Christendom*, yet *I* doubt all will not prove sound at the bottom; but that among the rest even we of those dominions shall be made sensible. *of some under villany secretly hatch'd among ourselves*

Full Moon the 4th day 40 min. after 5 in the morning.
Last Quarter 11th day 29 min. after 8 at night.
New Moon the 19 day 2 min. after 8 at Night.
First Quarter. the 26 day 44 min. after 9 at Night.
Observe that under the Title of Sun Rise and Set against the 1st day the Figures 7.19 5. shews that the Sun Riseth 19 min. after 7 and Sets 19 min. before 5. and so for any other Days.

Month Days	Week Days	Fest. Days Mut. Asp. & weather	Sun rise and set. H M. H.	The ☾'s place.	☾'s Age
1	d	St. David	6 19 6	Stom.	11
2	e	✱♃ ☿ 1.	6 17 6	heart	12
3	f	*Windy and*	6 15 6	&bac.	13
4	g	*wet-like.*	6 13 6	belly	14
5	A	2. Su. Lent	6 11 6	belly.	15
6	b	☾ Ecli. 5.	6 8 6	reins	16
7	c	□☉♃	6 6 6	loyns	17
8	d	*more*	6 3 6	secret	18
9	e	*warm*	6 0 6	secret	19
10	f	*& pleasant*	5 58 7	secret	20
11	g	*from the*	5 56 7	thigh	21
12	A	3. Su. Lent	5 54 7	thigh	22
13	b	*full to the*	5 52 7	knees	23
14	c	*New* ☾	5 50 7	knees	24
15	d	*but then*	5 48 7	knees	25
16	e	*variable*	5 46 7	legs	26
17	f	St. Patrick	5 44 7	legs	27
18	g	*to the end*	5 42 7	feet	28
19	A	Mid. Lent 5	5 40 7	feet	29
20	b	Sun Eclips	5 38 7	feet	30
21	c	□♃ ☿	5 36 7	head	1
22	d	△♃ ♂	5 34 7	&fac.	2
3	e	✱ ♄ ♂	5 32 7	neck.	3
24	f	☌ ♄ ♀	5 30 7	throt	4
25	g	Lady day	5 28 7	shoul	5
26	A	5 Su. Lent	5 26 7	arms	6
27	b	✱ ♄ ♃	5 24 7	breast	7
28	c	✱ ♂ ♀	5 22 7	stom.	8
29	d	*cold rain*	5 20 7	heart	9
30	e	*or snow*	5 18 7	back	10
31	f	*last* □	5 16 7	belly.	11

Monthly Observations

Besides what is mentioned in the two past months, methinks I find some disorders among Persons and things belonging both to the Gown & Sword; and that too, not among the meaner, but Superior Rank of both sorts; at least there will be much *strugling, doubt*, & *debate* (if not heares and disorders also) *concerning persons places and things Ecclesiastical*, if not *Paper Quarels* also; I believe we shall now, or near this month be made sensible of more then usual work for the Pen; *perhaps some toping Black coat for behaviour unbecoming toward his Prince, is forced to lower his top sail.* Something of these kinds will be, but perhaps I may not strike the particular bush where the Hair lies, but I am perswaded I am not far from it.

Whatever the last 4 months left in disorder or debate, the latter end of this, and beginning of the next month will rectifie, & accord; and in particular if the treaty with the *Turks* be yet under debate, it now obtains a happy issue.

Full Moon the 5 day, 51 min. after six in the evening.
Last Quarter the 13 day, 31 min. past 4 in the afternoon.
New Moon the 21 day, 21 min. after 8 in the morning.
First Quarter the 28 day 26 min. after 4 in the morning.

1699. April hath xxx Days.

Month Days	Week Days	Fest. Days Mut. Asp. & weather	Sun rise and se H. M. H	The ☾'s place.	☾'s age	Monthly Observations
1	g	*Inclin'd*	5 14 7	Belly	12	As the last month ended; so
2	A	Palm Sun.	5 12 7	reins	13	this begins *with a second glut*
3	b	☌ ☉ ☿ *to*	5 10 7	and	14	*of friendly mutual Aspects*; and
4	c	*wind. and*	5 8 7	loins	15	therefore will usher as friendly
5	d	*wet.*	5 6 7	secre	16	effects into the world: and be
6	e	✶ ♄ ☿	5 4 7	secre	17	sides other things mentioned in
7	f	△ ☉ ♃	5 2 7	thigh	18	my Observations on the last
8	g	✶ ☉ ♄	5 1 7	thigh	19	month *promiseth, not only an*
9	A	Easter So.	5 0 7	thigh	20	*early and pleasant, but also a*
10	b	*uncertain*	4 58 8	knee	21	*seasonable & healthful Spring*
11	c	*now*	4 56 8	knees	22	*in the general, both to Man &*
12	d	☌ ♂ ☿	4 55 8	legs	23	*Beast*, till toward the New Moon
13	e	*wind sleet*	4 53 8	legs	24	or 2 or 3 days after; but then
14	f	*or rain*	4 52 8	legs	25	we may expect a little *ruffling*
15	g	✶ ♀ ♂ 16	4 50 8	feet	26	*dark dribling weather for a*
16	A	Low Sun.	4 48 8	feet	27	*day or two*, and withal to hear
17	b	*warmer*	4 46 8	head	28	of some *mischiefs, fraudes* and
18	c	*till near*	4 44 8	&face	29	*villanies*, more then ordinary;
19	d	*the new* ☾	4 42 8	nec.&	1	and that too even in *Ireland*.
20	e	*stormy*	4 40 8	throt	2	twenty to one but some under-
21	f	□ ♄ ☿	4 38 8	shoul.	3	hand Roguery hatch't in some
22	g	□ ♃ ☿	4 36 8	&arm	4	of the past months may now
23	A	S. George	4 34 8	breast	5	be brought to light; and with
24	b	*but after*	4 32 8	stom.	6	all I suspect some Paper vil
25	c	S. Mark	4 30 8	heart	7	lany in the bottom; Perhaps Al
26	d	Term beg	4 28 8	and	8	derman *Malone* is turn'd from
27	e	*the new*	4 26 8	back	9	being the late King's Printer,
28	f	*Moon*	4 24 8	belly	10	to be an Almanack maker; at
29	g	*pleasenter*	4 22 8	belly	11	least *I* dare say, he Contributes
30	A	3. p. Easter *to the end*	4 20	reins	12	his endeavours to impose some such stuff upon the Nation.

Full Moon the 4 day, 42 min. past 9 in the morning.
Last Quarter the 12 day. 43 Min. before noon.
New Moon the 19 day, 38 min. past 6 in the afternoon.
First Quarter the 26 day, 4 min before noon.

Month Days	Week Days	Fest. Days Mut. Asp. & weather	Sun rise and set. H.M.H.M.	The ☾'s place	☾'s Age
1	b	Phil. & Ja.	4 18 8	Reins	13
2	c	*Pleasant*	4 16 8	secret	14
3	d	*and fair*	4 14 8	secret	15
4	e	*the first*	4 12 8	secret	16
5	f	*week; but*	4 10 8	thigh	17
6	g	*afterward*	4 8 8	thigh	18
7	A	4.p. Easter	4 6 8	knees	19
8	b	△ ♃ ♂	4 4 8	knees	20
9	c	✶ ♀ ☿	4 2 8	knees	21
10	d	*Expect*	4 0 8	legs	22
11	e	□ ☉ ♄	3 59 9	legs	23
12	f	*Thunder*	3 57 9	foot	24
13	g	*and Rain.*	3 55 9	feet	25
14	A	5 p. Eter.	3 53 9	head	26
15	b	*but after*	3 52 9	and	27
16	c	*the last*	3 50 9	face	28
17	d	*pleasant.*	3 49 9	nec.&	29
18	e	Holy Thur.	3 48 9	throt	30
19	f	*till*	3 47 9	shoul	1
20	g	♂ ☉ ♂	3 46 9	&arm	2
21	A	6 p. Easter	3 45 9	breast	3
22	b	Term end	3 44 9	&sto.	4
23	c	♂♂ ☿ &	3 43 9	bear	5
24	d	*after the*	3 42 9	& bac	6
25	e	*change*	3 41 9	belly	7
26	f	*then vari*	3 41 9	belly	8
27	g	*able.*	3 41 9	reins	9
28	A	Whitsund.	3 40 9	loynt	10
29	b	*for a day*	3 40 9	secret	11
30	c	*or 2 then*	3 40 9	secret	12
31	d	*fair*	3 40 9	secret	

Monthly Observations.

The Configurations of the latter end of the last month, & beginning of this, *threaten disorders, mischifes, and villainis of several kinds*; and such too, as will prove of no small Consequence to more places & people then one in *Europe*; and in particular, *I doubt will more then a little concern even the City of* London; 'tis twenty to one, but we shall about this time, *be made sensible of some Popish or Jacobite Rogery, which for some months past have been carried on in the dark, to undermine the Foundation of the present Government* such Celestial Congresses allways produce business of these kinds, and among others I believe will now produce *uneasiness, disturbance, trouble, and removals of several kinds*; but in a more Eminent manner, to *some of Superiour Stations*, if not *ruptures also in the general affairs of the World*; and such too as will put the Councels of Citys Nations and Princes upon new thoughts and considerations.

Full Moon the 3 day 16 min. before 1 in the morning.
Last Quarter, the 12 day 19 min. after three in the morning.
New Moon the 19 day 22 min. after 1 in the morning.
First Quarter the 25 day, 55 min. past 6 in the afternoon.

Month Days	Week Days	Fest Days Mut. Asp. & weather	Sun rise and set. H.M.H	The ☾'s place.	☾'s Age
1	e	*This month*	3 39 9	thigh	13
2	f	*begins*	3 39 9	thigh	14
3	g	*pleasant.*	3 39 9	knees	15
4	A	Trin. Sun.	3 39 9	knees	16
5	b	8 ☉ ♃ 4d	3 38 9	knees	17
6	c	*but now*	3 38 9	legs	18
7	d	*Wind or*	3 38 9	legs	19
8	e	*Wet and*	3 38 9	feet	20
9	f	8 ♂ ♄	3 38 9	feet	21
10	g	*Thunder.*	3 38 9	feet	22
11	A	S. Barnab.	3 38 9	head	23
12	b	△ ☉ ♃	3 38 9	face	24
13	c	*Rain*	3 38 9	nec &	25
14	d	*or great*	3 38 9	throt.	26
15	e	*Fogs.*	3 38 9	shoul	27
16	f	*Dribling*	3 38 9	arm	28
17	g	□ ♄ ♀ 18.	3 38 9	breast	1
18	A	2. p. Trin.	3 38 9	& sto.	2
19	b	*if not*	3 39 9	heart	3
20	c	*Thunder*	3 39 9	&bac	4
21	d	△ ♄ ♂	3 39 9	belly	5
22	e	*and wind*	3 30 9	belly	6
23	f	8 ♃ ☿	3 30 9	reins	7
24	g	S. J. Bap.	3 30 9	and	8
25	A	3. p. Trin.	3 31 9	loyns	9
26	b	*also but*	3 41 9	secret	10
27	c	*the last* □	3 42 9	secret	11
28	d	*more wet*	3 43 9	thigh	12
29	e	S. Pet. & Paul	3 44 9	thigh	13
30	f	△ ♃ ☿	3 45 9	thigh	14

Monthly Observations.

However Healing former Months did show,
I fear the last, and this will let us know,
The *Stars* as now, near *greet* our *Hemisphear*;
But *Fire*, or *Sword* or *Plagues*, their Weapons are.
Some *Pious Plot*, or *strange debate* breaks out,
London take care, and *Flanders* look about:
Things *strange* and *great* now flows, I think to hand,
And *preparations* vast, by *Sea* and *Land*.
Perhaps some *other Prince*, *less thought upon*
For *Death*, then *Charles* of *Spain*, is sooner gone
And leaves such work in hand, will plague his Son;
At last in *Sacred Laws*, things strange are done.
Odd News at home, from Forraign parts we hear,
No *Balm* in *Gillead*, no *Physitians* there:
Most States with *Monstrous sickly shapes* appear.

Full Moon the 2 day 56 min. past 2 afternoon.
Last Quarter the 10 day 7 min. past 4 in the afternoon.
New Moon the 17 day 16 min. past 8 in the morning.
First Quarter the 24 day 21 min. past 4 in the morning.

Month Days.	Week Days.	Fest. Days Mut. Asp & weather	Sun rise and Se H.M.H	The ☾'s place	☾'s Age
1	g	*fair and*	3 47 9	knees	15
2	A	4 p. Trin.	3 48 9	knees	16
3	b	*pleasant*	3 49 9	Legs	17
4	c	☌ ♃ ♀	3 50 9	Legs	18
5	d	☌ ☌ ♀	3 51 9	Legs	19
6	e	*something*	3 52 9	Feet	20
7	f	*windy yet*	3 53 9	Feet	21
8	g	*fair*	3 54 9	head	22
9	A	5 p. Trin.	3 56 9	face	23
10	b	*till about*	3 57 9	neck	24
11	c	*this time.*	3 58 9	thro.	25
12	d	△ ♄ ♀	4 0 8	shou	26
13	e	*Droping*	4 1 8	arms	27
14	f	☌ ☉ ☿ 15.	4 2 8	breſt	28
15	g	*within*	4 3 8	ſtom.	29
16	A	6. p. Trin.	4 4 8	heart	1
17	b	*or rather*	4 5 8	back	2
18	c	*wet in*	4 6 8	belly	3
19	d	Dog Days	4 8 8	belly	4
20	e	begin	4 10 8	belly	5
21	f	*earneſt,*	4 12 8	Reins	6
22	g	*but now*	4 13 8	Loins	7
23	A	7. p Trin.	4 15 8	ſecret	8
24	b	△ ♃ ☿ 23	4 17 8	ſecret	9
25	c	St. James	4 19 8	thigh	10
26	d	*Windy &*	4 20 8	thigh	11
27	e	*Coole*	4 22 8	thigh	12
28	f	☌ ♄ ♀	4 24 8	knees	13
29	g	*till the*	4 26 8	knees	14
30	A	8. p. Trin.	4 28 8	Legs	15
31		*end*	4 30 8	Legs	16

Monthly Obſervations:

Whatſoever the laſt Month left in diſorder, will ſcarce be rectified in this; unleſs it be as Oyl quencheth Fire, and that is only to make it burn more furiouſly: and among other things I expect *Odd ſort* of *News* from *Scotland*, or *Holland*; and ſuch too as will not be over and above grateful to ſome ſorts of people. I do not like it, as the man ſaid by his Wooden Gods; Rogues will be Rogues ſtill, and I dare ſay, we ſhall not want plenty of ſuch Intelligence about this time; but more eſpecially towards the latter end of this month, or the beginning of the next, I expect there will be Firebrands more then enough, blowing Coles of Sedition among the ignorant and unwary, and I think the Month will not paſs over without plenty of Diſcourſe and Debates, and ſome of them uneaſie too, about perſons and things relating to Religion, Laws, and Settlement; if not bloody Noſes alſo.

Full Moon the 2d day 1 min. after 6 in the Morning.
Laſt Quarter the 10 day 56 min. after 1 in the Morning.
New Moon the 16 day 38 min. paſt 3 in the Afternoon.
Firſt Quarter the 23 day 56 min. paſt 4 in the Afternoon.
Full Moon the laſt day 50 min. paſt 8 in the Afternoon.

Month Days	Week Days	Fast Days Mut. Asp. & weather	Sun rise and set H M H	The ☾'s place	☾'s Age
1	c	Lammas	4 33 8	Legs	17
2	d	△ ☉ ♃	4 35 8	feet	18
3	e	Sunday	4 37 8	feet	19
4	f	but	4 39 8	head	20
5	g	fair	4 [illegible] 8	hand	21
6	A	9 p. Trin.	4 43 8	face	22
7	b	☌ ♂ ♀	4 45 8	neck	23
8	c	wet and	4 47 8	shed.	24
9	d	stormy	4 46 8	shoul	25
10	e	□ ♃ ☿	4 52 8	arms	26
11	f	8 ☉ ♄	4 55 7	brest	27
12	g	but	4 58 7	stom.	28
13	A	10 p. Trin.	5 0 7	heart	29
14	b	after	5 2 7	back	30
15	c	the New	5 4 7	belly	1
16	d	Moon	5 6 7	belly	2
17	e	fair	5 8 7	reins	3
18	f	and	5 10 7	loins	4
19	g	pleasant..	5 12 7	secret	5
20	A	11 p. Trin	5 14 7	secret	6
21	b	△ ♀ ♃	5 16 7	secret	7
22	c	Clear	5 18 7	thigh	8
23	d	Sun-shine	5 20 7	thigh	9
24	e	Bartholo.	5 22 7	knees	10
25	f	but now	5 24 7	knees	11
26	g	8 ♄ ♀	5 26 7	knees	12
27	A	12 p. Trin.	5 28 7	legs	13
28	b	sudden	5 30 7	legs	14
29	c	showers	5 32 7	feet	15
30	d	at the end	5 34 7	feet	16
31	e	fair.	5 35 7	feet	17

Monthly Observations

However untoward things did lately seem, the beginning of this month brings matters mentioned the latter end of the last, to a more amicable Issue; and in a more Espetial manner, such as had relation to things sacred; and in particular our Gracious Soverraign His Majesty of Great Brittain, meets with more then ordinary Satisfaction, Honour, and Respect, as well from forraign parts, and potentates, as from his own Subject; but more espetially from, or by means of persons, and things relating to Religious matters: But at the same time, some other Prince, or Eminent Man, or Men, submits even to the utmost ex reams of misfortune, or a garment, from our first Mother: whatever it is, more then one sort of people will certainly share in the Tragedy, even to the degree of weeping; and wailing; and gnashing of Teeth. From the 1st Quarter till near the New Moon, expect abundance of unseasonable, wet and stormy weather; which I fear will cause Ship wrecks, & damage at Sea.

Last Quarter the 8 day 25 min. after 9 in the morning.
New Moon the 15 day 55 min. before 1 in the morning.
First Quarter the 22 day 33 min. after 8 in the morning.
Full Moon the 30 day 59 min. after 10 in the morning.

March Days	Week Days	Fest. Days Mut. Asp. & weather	Sun rise and Sets H. M. H.	The ☽'s place	☽'s age	Monthly Observations
1	f	*Inclin'd to*	5 37 7	head	18	This Month affords us *the greateſt Ecclips of the Sun, that hath happened to be viſſible in our Hemiſpheare ſince the* 29th of *March*, 1652. even to this time remembred by the name of *Black-monday*; that *Ecclips* was almoſt total; and at this there will be very little more then *three quarters of the Suns body Eccliped*; and that is a great deal more then is commonly ſeen by us; and well worth the Obſervation of the moſt curious, provided the weather prove clear, which I think it will not, by reaſon of an *oppoſition of* Saturn *and* Mars *happening at the ſame time*, and a *ſquare of* Jupiter *and* Venus *a little after*; which always does, and I believe will now at the time of this *Ecclips* give *dark, foul, and ſtormy weather*; however for the ſatisfaction of ſuch as may be curious to obſerve the event, take notice that *this Ecclips happens the* 13*th of this month, about half an hour after* 10 *in the forenoon.*
2	g	□ ☉ ♃	5 39 7	&face	19	
3	A	1 p. Trin.	5 41 7	nec.&	20	
4	b	*thunder*	5 43 7	throt	21	
5	c	△ ♃ ♂	5 45 7	ſhoul	22	
6	d	*yet very*	5 47 7	&arm	23	
7	e	*curious*	5 49 7	Breſt	24	
8	f	*fair and*	5 51 7	&ſto.	25	
9	g	*pleaſant*	5 54 7	heart	26	
10	A	14 Trin.	5 56 7	&ba.	27	
11	b	*till the*	5 58 7	belly	28	
12	c	*new moon*	6 0 6	belly	29	
13	d	Sun Eclips	6 2 6	reins	1	
14	e	Holy-roſs	6 4 6	and	2	
15	f	☌ ♄ ♂ ☍	6 6 6	loins	3	
16	g	□ ♃ ♀	6 8 6	ſecret	4	
17	A	15 p. Trin.	6 10 6	ſecret	5	
18	b	*then expect*	6 12 6	thigh	6	
19	c	*rain and*	6 14 6	thigh	7	
20	d	*wind by*	6 16 6	kneeſs	8	
21	e	S. Matthew	6 18 6	kneeſs	9	
22	f	*fits near*	6 20 6	knee	10	
23	g	☌ ☉ ♀	6 22 6	legs	11	
24	A	16 p. Trin.	6 24 6	legs	12	
25	b	*the end*	6 26 6	feet	13	
26	c	*more fair*	6 28 6	feet	14	
27	d	*but*	6 30 6	feet	15	
28	e	☌ ♀ ☿	6 32 6	head	16	
29	f	S. Michael	6 34 6	&face	17	
30	g	*windy.*	6 36 6	Neck	18	

Laſt Quarter the 6 day. 41 min. paſt 3 in the Afternoon.
New Moon the 13 day. 26 min. paſt 10 in the Morning.
Firſt Quarter the 21 day 15 min paſt 6 in the Morning.
Full Moon the 29 day 55 min. before 1 in the Morning.

Month Days	Week Days	Fast. Days Mut. Asp. & weather	Sun rise and set. H.M.H.	The ☾'s place.	☾'s Age	Monthly Observations.
1	A	17 p. Trin.	6 38 6	throt	19	For want of Room I was fore-
2	b	*this month*	6 40 6	shoul	20	ced to omit there, and therefore
3	c	*begins*	6 42 6	arms	21	here tell you, that *I* expect the
4	d	*much as*	6 44 6	breast	22	first part of the last month to
5	e	*the last*	6 46 6	stom.	23	be attended with *violence* and
6	f	*ended*;	6 48 6	heart	24	*mischiefs of several kinds*, which
7	g	✱☉♃	6 50 6	and	25	at the writing of this *September*
8	A	18 p. Trin.	6 52 6	back	26	1698 is not ripe enough for me
9	b	△☉♄ 9	6 54 6	belly	27	to particularize, and therefore
10	c	✱♄♃	6 56 6	belly	28	leave them for time to discover;
11	d	*variable*,	6 58 6	reins	29	for I am taught by deer bought
12	e	*uncertain*,	7 0 5	loins	1	experience, *that truth is not to*
13	f	△♄♀	7 2 5	secret	2	*be told at all times*. It was a cer
14	g	✱♃♀	7 4 5	secret	3	tain truth, that his now *Majesty*
15	A	19 p. Trin.	7 6 5	thigh	4	*of Great Brittain Landed in*
16	b	*more fair*	7 8 5	thigh	5	*England upon the 5th. of No*
17	c	*& pleasant*	7 10 5	thigh	6	*vember* 1688; yet I was by the
18	d	St. Luke	7 12 5	knees	7	*then pretious Government put*
19	e	*inclin'd*	7 14 5	knees	8	*no less then* 3 *several times*
20	f	*towind*	7 16 5	legs	9	*in the Pillory*, for no other crime
21	g	△♄☿	7 18 5	legs	10	*but asserting* (in Dublin, *no less*
22	A	20 p. Trin.	7 20 5	legs	11	*then* 10 *days* after it was really
23	b	Irish rebel	7 22 5	feet	12	true (*that he was so landed*. And
24	c	✱♃☿	7 24 5	feet	13	since it is natural for the burn'd
25	d	Crispin.	7 26 5	head	14	Child to dread the fire, *I* hope
26	e	*and wet*,	7 28 5	& fac	15	none will blame me, who have
27	f	*but now*	7 30 5	neck	16	been once burnt to have a care
28	g	Sim. & Ju.	7 33 5	and	17	how *I* come near the fire again
29	A	21 p. Trin.	7 35 5	throt.	18	therefore *I* here only tell you
30	b	*more war.*	7 37 5	shoul	19	that this month will rectifie most
31	c	*& pleasant*	7 39 5	arms.	20	of the evils of several months
						past

Last Quarter the 5 day, 14 min. after 10 at night.
New Moon the 12 day, 25 min after 11 at night
First Quarter the 20 day, 29 min after 10 at night.
Full Moon the 28 day 3 min. afternoon.

Month Days	Week Days	Fest. Days Mut. Asp. & weather	Sun rise and set. H. M. H.	The ☾'s place	Days
1	d	All Saints	7 42 5	Breast	21
2	e	All Souls	7 44 5	stom.	22
3	f	□ ♄ ♀ ☿	7 46 5	heart	23
4	g	K.W.Born	7 48 5	&bac.	24
5	A	☿.Po. stra.	7 50 5	belly	25
6	b	Term beg.	7 52 5	belly	26
7	c	□ ☉ ♄	7 54 5	reins	27
8	d	□ ♄ ♅	7 56 5	&loi.	28
9	e	✱ ♀ ♂	7 57 5	secret	29
10	f	Martin	7 59 5	secret	30
11	g	✱ ☉ ♂	8 0 4	secret	1
12	A	23 p.Trin.	8 2 4	thigh	2
13	b	♂ ☉ ☿	8 3 4	thigh	3
14	c	*The first*	8 4 4	knees	4
15	d	*week ex*	8 5 4	knees	5
16	e	*pect much*	8 6 4	knees	6
17	f	♂ ♀ ☿	8 7 4	legs	7
18	g	*snow, wind*	8 9 4	legs	8
19	A	24p.Trin.	8 11 4	feet	9
20	b	*and foul*	8 13 4	feet	10
21	c	*weather,*	8 14 4	feet	11
22	d	*but after*	8 16 4	head	12
23	e	*the New* ☾	8 16 4	&fac.	13
24	f	*more*	8 17 4	acc&	14
25	g	*pleasant*	8 17 4	throt	15
26	A	25 p.Trin.	8 18 4	shoul	16
27	b	*but now*	8 18 4	arm	17
28	c	*Term end*	8 19 4	breft.	18
29	d	*windy*	8 19 4	&ft.	19
30	e	S. Andrew	8 20 4	heart	20
		and cold	8 20 4		

Monthly Observations

As I intimated in the latter end of my *Observations* of the last month, *I* conclude that the variety of benevolent aspects that happened therein, cannot but bring most of if not all the material disorders of *Europe* into a state of seeming friendship or at least what tends thereunto; & to that purport many friendly Ambassays, & meditations, are dispatch't from one Prince or place to another. *It* cannot but prove a satisfactory time to Princes in general, & to his Majesty of *Great Brittain* in particular; and satisfactory news arrives dayly from forreign parts as well to the marchants, as the Nobillity and Comonallity of the Nation, but the configurations of this month will not fail to broach new mischiefs & divisions between nation & nation, & Prince, & their subjects either Parliamentary or otherwise & about the 5, 6, 7, 8, 10 11, & 12 days of this month will occasion exceeding cold snowy wet, foul, blabby and stormy weather.

Last Quarter the 4 day, 14 min. after 6 in the morning.
New Moon the 11 day, 8 min. past 3 afternoon.
First Quarter the 19 day, 46 min. after 7 in the evening.
Full Moon the 26 day, 1 min. after 11 at night.

Month Days.	Week Days.	Fest Days Mar. Asp. & weather.	Sun rise and set M. H.	The ☾'s place
1	f	✶ ♄ ♀	8 20 4	back
2	g	*Cold rain*	8 21 4	belly
3	A	1 Advent.	8 21 4	belly
4	b	☌ ♄ ♀	8 22 4	reins
5	c	*wind or*	8 22 4	and
6	d	*snow till*	8 23 4	loins
7	e	*the new* ☾	8 23 4	secret
8	f	✶ ☉ ♄	8 23 4	secret
9	g	☌ ♃ ♀	8 23 4	thigh
10	A	2 Advent.	8 23 4	thigh
11	b	*now more*	8 23 4	knees
12	c	*warm, but*	8 23 4	knees
13	d	□ ☌ ♀	8 23 4	knees
14	e	*yet windy*	8 23 4	legs
15	f	*but from*	8 23 4	legs
16	g	*hence to*	8 23 4	feet
17	A	3 Advent.	8 23 4	feet
18	b	*the last* □	8 22 4	feet
19	c	*pleasant*	8 22 4	head
20	d	☌ ☉ ♃	8 21 4	&face
21	e	S. Thomas	8 21 4	nec. &
22	f	*much wet*	8 20 4	throt
23	g	□ ☌ ♀ *or*	8 20 4	shoul
24	A	4 Advent.	8 19 4	&arm
25	b	Christmass	8 18 4	breſt
26	c	St. Stephen	8 17 4	& ſto.
27	d	St. John	8 16 4	heart
28	e	Innocents	8 15 4	& bac
29	f	*ſnow in the*	8 14 4	belly
30	g	*holly days.*	8 13 4	belly
31	A	☌ ♀ ♀	8 12 4	belly

Laſt Quarter the 3d day 17 min. after 4 in the Afternoon.
New Moon the 11 day 25 min. paſt 9 in the morning.
First Quarter the 19 day 59 min. after 1 in the afternoon.
Full Moon the 26 day 25 min. after 9 in the morning.

Monthly Obſervations.

Although the former part of the laſt month proved but untoward, both as to the *general part of the worldly affairs* & the *weather*; yet *I* expect both the latter end of that, and the moſt part of this, to prove more friendly, and to produce many friendly meetings, conſultations & debates, and ſo give a happy concluſion to a troubleſome & doubtful year. for further ſatisfaction in which *I* refer you to the general Obſervations at the latter end of this Almanack, & ſo for the preſent conclude with a requeſt, to all ſuch *as ſend letters to me by Poſt about their own buſineſs, to let them come free, or not think amiſs, if they fail of anſwer from* John Wtralley.

ADVERTISEMENT,

FOr *the moſt Eaſy, Safe, Cheap, and ſpeedy Cureing the moſt Deplorable Diſtempers incident to Humane Bodies, I refer you to conſider the latter end of this Almanack. Juſt before the Fairs and Higaways. And for Learning of the* Mathematicks, *to the bottom of the* ol *lowing Page.* f.

Vulgar Notes for the Year, 1699.

The	Golden Number 9	The	Shrove Tuf. Feb 21.
	Dominic. Letter 4		Easter Sun. Apr. 9.
	Epact 9		Whit Sun. May 28.
	Cole of the Sun 28		Trin. Sun. June 4.

A Table of the Terms for the Year, 1699.

Hillery Term	Begins Jan. 23	Octa. Hill. Jan. 20.	
	Ends Feb. 13	Quin. Hill. Jan. 27.	
		Craft Purif. Feb. 3.	
		Octa. Purif. Feb. 10	
Easter Term	Begins April 26	Quin. Pasch Apr. 21	
	Ends May 22	Tref. Pasch Apr. 28.	
		Menf. Pasc. May 5.	
		Quin. Pasch May 12	
		Craft Ascen. May 19	
Triniry Term	Begins June 6	Craft Trin. June 5.	
	Ends June 28	Octa. Trin. June 12	
		Quin. Trin. June 19	
		Tref. Trin. June 25.	
Michaelmas Term begins in	England Oct. 23	Tref. Mic. Oct. 20	
	Ireland Nov. 6	Men. Mic. Oct 27	
And Ends in both November 28.		Craft Anim. No. 3	
		Craft. Mar. No. 11	
		Oct. Mart. No 18	
		Qui. Mart. No. 25.	

THESE *are to give Notice, that to prevent the abuſes, and delays, frequently committed in Teaching the Mathematicks, that there is newly Erected at the* Author's *Houſe, next Door above the* Fleece *in* St. Nicholas-ſtreet Dublin, *a* Schoole, *where ſuch as are deſirous to Learn, may at very Reaſonable Rates, and with the greateſt Candor and Expedition be Taught,* Arithmetick Vulgar *or* Decimal, *by Pen, Inſtruments, and Tables;* Algebra Geometry, Trigometry, Surveying, Gaugeing, Dialling, Gunnery, Fortification, Geography, *the Uſe of the* Globes, Aſtronomy, *and Variety of Secrets in* Aſtrology *not known to others.*

A TABLE of all the KINGS and QUEENS that Govern'd in *England*, since it was first called so by King *Egbert*, to this present Year, 1699.

KINGS and QUEENS Names.	Reig. bega. A. C.	Reigned.
1 Egbert	818	28
2 Ethelwolfe	836	21
3 Ethelbald	857	1
4 Ethelbert	858	5
5 Ethelfred	863	10
6 Alfred	873	27
7 Edward 1. Saxon	900	24
8 Ethelfon	924	16
9 Edmond 1.	940	6
10 Edred	946	9
11 Edwin	955	4
12 Edgar	959	20
13 Edward 2. Saxon	979	3
14 Ethelred	982	24
15 Edmond 2.	1016	1
The Danish Line		
16 Canutus 1.	1017	20
17 Harald 1.	1037	3
18 Canutus 2.	1040	2
19 Edward Confeff.	1042	23
20 Harold 2.	1065	2
The Norman Line		
21 William 1.	1617	20
22 William 2.	1087	13
23 Henry 1.	1100	35
24 Stephen	1135	19
The Sax. Line Restored.		
25 Henry 2.	1154	35
26 Richard 1.	1189	10
27 John	1199	17
28 Henry 3.	1216	56
29 Edward 1.	1272	35
30 Edward 2.	1307	19
31 Edward 3.	1326	51
32 Richard 2.	1377	22
The Line of Lancaft.		
33 Henry 4.	1399	13
34 Henry 5.	1413	39
35 Henry 6.	1422	8
The Line of York.		
36 Edward 4.	1460	23
37 Edward 5.	1483	0
38 Richard 3.	1483	2
The Families United.		
39 Henry 7.	1485	24
40 Henry 8.	1509	28
41 Edward 6.	1547	6
42 Mary 1.	1553	5
43 Elizabeth	1558	44
The Kingdoms united		
44 James 1.	1602	22
45 Charles 1.	1625	24
46 Charles 2.	1648	37
47 James 2.	1684	4
48 Mary 2.	1688	8
49 William 3.		10

'Twas hop'd when *James* was first Proclaimed King,
His *Acts of Grace would make his Kingdome Ring.*
But oh! instead of that, his Helliſh Crew,
Through his Dominions ſuch, *dam'd ſtuff did Brew.*
That had not *William* lent his Heavenly Hand,
Dam'd Popery ſoon, had ov'r-ſpread the Land.

A Table which by the *Moons Age*, shewt her *Rising*, *Southing*, *Setting*, and *Shining*; the Hour of the *Night* upon a *Dial*, and the time of *High-Water* at all the under-named places.

1		The Moons Age for finding the time of her shining rising, and setting.		2		The time of the *Moons* shining and southing, for finding her rising, setting & hour of the night.		3		The *Moons* age for finding her *Southing*, the hour of the night, and time of *High-Water*		4		Galloway, Dingle, Baltimore, Scarborough, Broad haven, Sounds, Silly, Mars, Ouldhead, Dover.		5		Limbrick Key Bay of Carnarven, Leeth, Lions, Mountskey, Mousehole, Castlemain, Humber.		6		Kingsal, Cork, Youghill, Dungarven, Plymouth, Dartmouth, Foy Newcastle, Falmouth, Milford.		7		Waterford Londonderry, Briſtol, Blackney, Wells, Hull, Boſton, St. Mallows, St. Powels, Londy.		8		Weſtward, Plymouth, Dunbar, Orkney, Egmont, Race of Portland, Clyſis, Foulneſs, Bardeaux.		9		Dublin Bar, Arklow, Wicklow, Drogheda, Downs, Dundalk Holy head Yarmouth, St. Hellens.		10		Dublin Bridge, Strangford, Donnaghade, Cowes, Carlingford, Carigfergus, Frith, Gallis.	
Days	Days	Hours	Min	Days	Days	Hours	Min.	Hours	Min.	Hours	Min.	Hours	Min.	Hours	Min.	Hours	Min.	Hours	Min.	Hours	Min.	Hours	Min.	Hours	Min.	Hours	Min.	Hours	Min.	Hours	Min.	Hours	Min.	Hours	Min.
1	29	12	38	1	16	5	18	5	35	6	1	6	48	10	8	11	18	11	33				
2	28	1	36	2	17	6	1	6	16	6	46	7	31	10	51	12	1	12	16				
3	27	2	24	3	18	6	44	6	59	7	29	8	14	11	34	0	44	0	59				
4	26	3	12	4	19	7	12	7	27	8	7	8	52	12	18	1	22	1	37				
5	25	4	0	5	20	8	00	8	15	8	45	9	30	00	50	2	00	2	15				
6	24	4	48	6	21	8	53	8	48	9	18	10	3	1	23	2	33	2	48				
7	23	5	36	7	22	9	6	9	21	9	52	10	36	1	50	3	6	3	21				
8	22	6	24	8	23	9	54	10	9	10	35	11	24	2	44	3	54	4	9				
9	21	7	12	9	24	10	37	11	12	11	42	12	27	3	44	4	57	5	12				
10	20	8	0	10	25	12	00	12	15	12	45	1	30	4	50	6	0	6	15				
11	19	8	48	11	26	00	58	1	3	1	47	2	28	5	48	6	46	7	13				
12	18	9	36	12	27	1	56	2	11	2	41	3	36	6	46	7	54	8	11				
13	17	10	24	13	28	2	49	3	4	3	34	4	19	7	39	8	47	9	4				
14	16	11	12	14	29	3	42	3	57	4	27	5	12	8	23	9	42	9	57				
15	15	12	00	15	30	4	30	4	45	5	15	6	00	9	20	10	30	10	45				

The Use of the foregoing Table.

Note, that the table is divided into ten Columns, and so noted with great figures, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 7, 8 9, 10. all which I shall explain by Examples as follows.

1. *Example.* To find the Moons Rising and Setting, and hour of the Night, on the 28th day of *January* I find the Moon 8 days old: with this 8. I enter the 1st Column of the Table, and right against it in the 2d Column, I find 6 hours 24 min. the time of the *Moons shining*; then the same day, I find the Sun riseth 25 min. after 7, and sets 25 min. before 5. (*viz.* 35 min. after 4. Now (because she *increaseth*) to the 6 hours 24 min. the time of the *Moons shining*) I add the 7 hours 25 min. (the time of the Suns Rising) and the Sum is 13 hours 49 min. the time of the Moons Rising afternoon the 28th day that is, 49 min. past 1 the 29th in the morning; So likewise adding 4 hours 35 min. (the time of the Sun setting) to 6 hours 24 min. (the aforesaid time of the Moons shining) the Sum is 10 hours 59 min. the time of the Moons setting the 28th in the evening.

2. *Example. To find the Moons Southing*, and hour of the night. On the 12th of *January*, I find the Moon 22 days old, with which I enter the 3d Column of the Table, and right against it in the 2d Column, I find 5 hours 36 min. for the time of her Southing; then repairing to a Sun dial, I find the shadow a quarter of an houre past the stroke of 9. so that it wants 2 hours 45 min. of the stroke of 12. which I substract from the 5 hours 36 min. (the time of the *Moons Southing*) and the remainder is 8 hours 51 min. which is the true time of the night: but if the shadow had been 3 quarters past 2, it ought to have been added to time of *her Southing* 5 hours 36 min. and then the time would have been 8 hours 21 min. Note, that till the *Full Moon* she cometh to the South in the evening; but after the *Full* in the *morning*.

3. *Example.* Of finding the time of *High Water* at *Dublin-Bridge* on the 14th of *January*, when the Moon is 24 days old; with this 24 (the *Moons* age) I enter the 3d Column of the Table & from thence direct my Eye straight along towards the Right hand, till I come to the 10th Column under *Dublin Bridge*, & there I find 5 ho. 12 min. the time of High Water afternoon; because she is past the *full decreasing*; but if it had been upon the 19th day, when the Moon is but 9 days old, increasing in light, it would be the same hour in the morning.

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Num.	Names.	began An.D.	Num.	Names.	began An.D.	Num.	Names.	began An.D.
196	Joannes 21	1334	212	Paulus 2	1464	227	Gregor. 13	1572
197	Clement 6	1343	213	Sixtus 4	1471	228	Sixtus 5	1585
198	Innocent 6	1352	214	*Innocent* 8	1484	229	Urban. 7	1590
199	Urbanus 5	1361	215	*Alexand.* 6	1492	230	Greg. 14	
200	Gregor. 11	1371	216	Pius 3	1503	231	*Innocent.* 9	1591
201	Urbanus 6	1378	217	Julius 3		232	Clement. 8	1592
202	Bonifac. 9	1389	218	Leo 10	1513	233	Leo 11	1605
203	Innocent. 7	1404	219	Adrianus 6	1522	234	Paul 5	
204	Gregor. 12	1406	220	Clement 7	1523	235	Gregor 15	1620
205	Alexand. 5	1409	221	Paulus 3	1534	236	Urbanus 8	1623
206	Joannes 22	1410	222	Julius 3	1550	237	Innocent. 10	1645
207	Martin 5	1417	223	*Marcel.* 2	1555	238	Alexand. 7	1655
208	*Eugenius* 4	1430	224	Paulus 4		239	Clement. 9	1667
209	Nicholaus 5	1447	225	Pius 4	1560	240	Clement. 10	1670
210	Calixtus 3	1455	226	Pius 5	1566	241	Innocent. 11	1676
211	Pius 2	1458						

PRÆCOGNITA.

READER, When I first Published the *preceeding Catalogue*, in my Almanack for the Year 1685, it was Questioned by some, who were Strangers to me, *what perswasion or opinion, I was off*: and therefore to prevent doubts of that kind, and other reflections for time to come: I think fit here to declare, that I *profess my self a Member of that* Branch *of Christs-Church, which was first planted in Rome by the Blessed St. Paul, and his Fellow Apostles*, and in that Faith I hope to live and die; and *as such I sincerely protest against the manifold Errours and Idolatry of the present* Church *of Rome*: And tho' as an *Astrologer*, I sometimes pretend to *foresee things to come*, yet I dare not presume to such infallibility, as to affirm the absolute certainty of the foregoing Catalogue, and neither my Life or Stars are sufficient more fully to inform me.

Whether *True* or *False*, I *Collected them* from *the most approved of their own Authors*, and had then a design to pursue my present purpose; but finding *Popery falling too severely upon our shoulders*, I believ'd it prudence, to wave it, till some more convenient opportunity

tunity; and when that offered in the Year 1692, I composed the following *Discourse of the Supremasy*; and sent it to *Dublin*, to be Printed with my Almanack for the year 1693, but Living my self then in *Munster*, Mr. *Crook the Kings Printer*, having the mangling of my Copy, and being either *unwilling* to *disoblidge his old Popish Friends*, or else resolved to *abuse* both *me* and *my Almanack* (I know not which, *perhaps altogether*) unjustly without my privity or consent, wholly omitted the Printing therein, *not only the following thoughts of the Supremacy*, but also *several other remarkable particulars*; *and so Metamorphiz'd* and *abused* the remainder, that when *I* received one of them by Post from a Friend in *Dublin*, *I* could not for a long time discover whether it was of my Pening or not. How far *Popery* and *Jacobitism*, *had then an interest in* Mr. *Crook*, or what he *got*, or is *yet to get*, for that *Pious Service*, *I* leave himself to consider, and the World to judge, of the worth, of Sweet-scented St. *Andrew*, for it may (for ought *I* know) be no less then Criminal, so much as to offer, *to discover even evident truths of a Person so sacred*, *as the* worthy Mr. *Crook*, & therefore for fear of an Action of *Scandalum magnatum*, *I* think fit to let the Gentleman alone for the present, and return to my intended purpose; to shew.

The Fallacy of the Popes Supremacy.

AMong the multitude of Books published by the *Papists* to *support their dangerous Doctrines*, There was one Printed at *Doway* in the Year, 1654. Intituled A *Manuel of Controversies*, Composed (*as I suppose by the English Colledge* there) purposely to *Poyson* the Principles of the *British*, *Irish*, and *American Protestants*. In which most of the Principal points in Difference, *between Protestants* and *Papists*, are (by way of *Argument*, subtilly) Debated, and supposed to be determined in Favour of *Popery*, in 28 Articles; among which the *First* and *Seventh*, tend chiefly to Maintain the *Supremacy of the Bishops* and *pretended Bishops and Popes of Rome*: The First runs thus,

Our Tenat is, *That the Church now in Communion with the Sea of Rome*, *is the only true Church of God*

And the Seventh is, *That the Pope or Bishop*, *of Rome*,

is the true Successor of St. Peter, and Head of the whole Church of God.

To maintain the First, the Argument is, that, **What is the only true Church of God, which has had a continued succession from Christ and his Apostles to this time, that the Church now in Communion with the See of Rome, and no other has had a continued succession from Christ and his Apostles to this time? And therefore the Church now in Communion with the See of Rome, and no other is the true Church of God.**

The *First Proposition* of the *First Article*, is pretended to be proved *out of the Prophets*, and *promises of Christ*; (*Isa.* 59. 21. *Isa.* 60. 1. 3. 11. *Isa.* 62. 6. *Ezech.* 37. 26. *Dan.* 7. 13. 14. *Mat.* 28. 20. *John.* 14. 16. and *Ephes.* 4. 11. (12. 13. 14) and the Second, *by the preceding Catalogue of* (what their is stil'd) *the Roman Churches chief Pastors*, &c. which for avoiding controversie, *I* date exactly, as I find them in the said *Manuel*, where in the 4th Page for confirming the former Argument it's said

In the first Age, *or* Century after *Jesus Christ, we find the* Supremacy *in* S. Peter, *as is manifest*, Acts 15. 7, 8, 9, 10 (where after a serious Debate, whether the Jewish Ceremonies ought to be Impos'd upon the Gentiles) S. *Peter* Decides in the Negative, saying; *Men, Brethren, you know that of old, God amongst us, Chose, that by my Mouth the Gentiles should hear the Word of the Gospel, and Believe; and God who knoweth the Hearts, gave Testimony, giveth them the Holy Ghost, as well as to us, —— by Faith purifying their Hearts; now therefore why tempt ye God, to put a Yoke upon the Neck of the Disciples, which neither our fore-fathers nor we have been able to bear? Into which sentence* James *the Apostle* (who, says my Author, was Bishop of the place) *and all the Priests did pass together.*

TO Maintain their Seventh Article, *viz. The Pope to be the true Successor of* S. Peter, *and head of the Church*, our Adversaries (page the 90 and 91 of the aforesaid Treatise) offer two Arguments.

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The First says, The Foundation hath a prehemtnence of firmitude, and stabillity, before the rest of the building which is founded on it, and the Shepherd is Head of his Flock, and above his Sheep: But St. Peter next after Christ himself, was the Foundation of the whole Church, and Pastor of the whole Flock. Therefore St. Peter next after Christ, had a Prehe-minency over the whole Church, and was Head of the whole Flock; and above all the other Sheep, of which number were the rest of the Apostles.

The Second says, He that is by Gods apointment to Confirm others in the Faith, and is generally set before others in the Scripture, must needs be greater then those others in power and Dignity. But St. Peter by our Saviours own appointment, was to Confirm the Apostles in the Faith, and is generally prefer'd before them all in Holy Scripture Therefore St. Peter was above the rest of the Apostles in Power and Dignity, and Therefore, the Head and Primate of the rest.

As to the *First* of these two last *Arguments*, it is said, the *Major* is proved, because the *Foundation supporteth the rest of the building*; and the *Shepherd hath power to Feed and Govern his whole Flock.* And the *Minor* from that of St. *Matt.* 16 18. *Thou art Peter, and upon this Rock, will I build my Church*, &c.

To the *Second*, it's said, the *Major is proved, because the stronger is not confirmed by the weaker, nor the less worthy set before the more worthy*; and the *Minor* is proved, St. *Luke* 22. 13. *I have prayed for thee* Peter, *that thy faith fail not; and thou being at length Converted, confirm thy* Brethren, and Matt. 10. 2. *The names of the Twelve are these; the First* Simon, *who is called* Peter, *&c.* and so concludes, that *what hath been said to prove* St. Peters primacy, *proves also the* primacy *of his Successors the Popes of Rome.*

And that the foregoing Arguments for the Supremacy and Succession should not seem deficient, it is by the same Author further Argued.

That St. Peter Translated his Chair from Antioch to Rome, is proved First, because he remained not always at Antioch, as all the Church acknowledgeth; Secondly by the decrees of Councils, Popes, & Fathers giving the Primacy to the Roman Church.

As to this last point, the *Papists* have not yet agreed among themselves; some say that St. *Peter* was *first Bishop of Antioch*, seven Years, *and then Removed to Rome*; others that he was *first Bishop of Rome* and *Removed to Antioch*; and *from thence to Rome again*: but the time of either the one or the other, they can no more Reconcile, then they can maintain his being Bishop of Rome at all; and that is not at all.

The Opinion most generally agreed upon, by the most approved of their own Authors, is, That *after* the *Passion* of our *Saviour*, St. *Peter* was *Created Bishop* of *Antioch*, and after he had held that Sea *seven Years*; removed from thence to *Rome*, and *Continued Bishop there Twenty Eight Years*, till Marty r'd under *Nero*, and so according to both that computation, and the before mentioned *Manual of Controversies*, is made to be Bishops of both places, no less then *Thirty Five Years*; and from the premises, our Adversaries in general Conclude.

First, That St. *Peter* was *Chief of the Apostles*, *Head of Christs Church*, Resident and *Bishop* of, and in *Rome*.

Secondly, That none but what hath had a *Continued Visible succession* from St. *Peter*, to this time (and shall Continue so to the end of the World) *can be a true Church*.

Thirdly, That the *Church now in Communion with the Sea of Rome*, and no other hath had, *such a Continued Visible succession*.

Fourthly, That therefore the *Church now in Communion with the Sea of Rome*, and *no other* is the *true Church of God*.

And *Fifthly*, That the *Church now in Communion with the Sea of Rome*, is the *Highest Visible Judge of Controversies*, and that she is *Infallible*, both in her *Propositions* and *Definitions* of all points of Faith; and has a power from God, to oblige all men to believe her under pain of *Damnation*.

Now if all our Adversaries thus Conclude, will abide the Test of sacred truth, it can be no less then *downright Damnation to seperate from the Communion* of *the present Church* of *Rome*;

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but if after ſo many *Sophiſtical Arguments*, it ſhall be made appear, that they are all, only *Deluſive* and *Empty*; and upon due Examination, not ſo much as probable (much leſs Certain) *that St. Peter was ever at Rome at all*, there will remain but very ſlender reaſon to believe that *ever* St. *Peter was Biſhop* of *Rome*, or *Head* of *that Church*; or that the *preſent* Biſhops or *Popes* of *Rome are Lineally his Succeſſors*; and that *She is the* Mother *and* Miſtreſs of *all Churches*, out of *which* no *man can be ſaved*: and if that (which is the Foundation of their *Infallibility* and all their other *Innovations*) fails; it will by conſequence follow, *that the Church* now *in Comunion with Sea* of *Rome*, is *Built* upon a *ſandy Foundation*, and not *upon that Rock*, upon *which Chriſt promis'd* (Mat. 16. 18) to *Build his Church*, and to prove this, I ſhall endeavour to make it plain.

Firſt, That St. *Peter* was not *Chief* of the Apoſtles, nor (any more then the reſt) *Head* of *Chriſts-Church*; or Biſhop of, or at *Rome*; and that therefore neither the *preſent* nor *paſt Biſhops* of Rome, are St. *Peters* Succeſſors.

Secondly, That the Biſhops of *Rome*, have Not had any ſuch *Un-interupted*, *Continued*, *Viſible Succeſſion*, neither from *Chriſt* nor his *Apoſtles*, but have been Notorious, Abominable, ſining *Idolators*; and neither the Higheſt Judges of Controverſies or Infallable in their Propoſitions or Definitions; and that therefore the *Church now in Communion with the Sea of Rome*, is not either the Only, or the *True Church* of *God*; and that as ſuch, She has No power from God, to Oblidge either all (or any part of) Men, to believe her under pain of Damnation, as She pretends.

Firſt, *That* S. Peter *was not Chief of the Apoſtles*, is proved thus; *He that ſuffers* Rebuke, is not *Superior to him that gives it*: But S. *Peter* ſuffered Rebuke from his fellow Apoſtle *Paul* (Gal. 2. 11, 12, 13, *&c.*) when *he withſtood him to the face, becauſe he was to be blamed*; and walked not uprightly according to the truth of the Goſpel: Therefore St. *Peter* was not *Superior* to St. *Paul*; which is further proved by St. *Paul's* own Words, (2 *Cor.* 11. 5. & 12. 11) where he Affirms, *that he is not* Inferior *to any of the Apoſtles*; and if not to any; not to *Peter*

Secondly, He that is Accuſed of others, and pleads his Cauſe before them, is not *ſuperior* to thoſe that accuſed him, or before whom he pleads. But S. *Peter was Accuſed before the reſt of*

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the Apostles, and *pleaded his Cause before them at* Jerusalem (Acts 11. 1. *&c*) Therefore S. *Peter* was no *superior* to the rest of the Apostles, nor do I find where he at any time pretended to it; but on the contrary, when Exhorting to be mindful of the Scriptures, (2 *Pet.* 3. 2.) he subjoyns, saying, *And of* **Us** *the Apostles* Not of **Me**, an Apostle, nor **Me** the **Chief** of the **Apostles.**

Thirdly; He that is sent, is not *superior* to him that sent him; But when the Apostles at *Jerusalem* heard, that *Samaria* had received the Word of God, they sent unto them *Peter* and *John* (Acts 8. 14.) Therefore *Peter* was not *superior* to the rest of the Apostles that were then at *Jerusalem*; and if not to them, not to any others of them.

In Answer to our Adversaries first Argument, for their pretended succession. I first Deny That to be the only true *Church* of God, which hath had (no other) but such a Continued succession, as they boast of, from *Christ* and his Apostles. And secondly, That the *Church* now in Communion with the *See* of Rome (and no other) hath had a Continued succession from *Christ*, and his Apostles; to this time: And Therefore Conclude, That the *Church* now in Communion with the *See* of Rome, is NOT the True *Church* of God.

The Texts, which they produce out of *Isaiah*, *Ezekiel* and *Daniel*, to prove their *first proposition*, was delivered long before the Apostles Days, and therefore can have no Relation to the premises; and those of *Mat.* 28. 19 20. and *John* 14. 16. (*Go ye forth and Teach all Nations, Baptising them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; Teaching them to observe all things, whatever I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the World — And I will pray my Father*, &c I say these Texts) were not delivered to their pretended *supreme* st. *Peter* **only**, but to no less then the whole *Eleven*, that remained after the Defection of *Judas*, as appears *Mat.* 28. 16. and that of *Ephes.* 4. 11, 12 *&c.* was to the same purpose spoken, not by *Peter*, but *Paul*; and therefore can have no particular Regard to *Peter's Supremacy*, or *succession.*

And that of *Acts* 15. 7, 8, 9, 10, is Deceitfully *Wrested*, And the 1st part of the 9th Verse, (which says; *And put no difference between Us and Them*) is wholly *Omitted* and as they de-

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livered it, it makes but very slenderly to their advantage; for however it was of old, as he says, that *God among them Chose, that by his Mouth the Gentiles should hear the Word of God*, &c. Yet in the 25th verse of the same Chapter, it is plain, that it seemed good unto the Apostles (even in the same Assembly, where St. *Peter* made that speech) with one accord, to *send* Barsabas *and* Silas, *Men* of *their own* company, *with* Barnabas *and* Paul, to *assist in the Ministry at* Antioch, *Syria and* Cilicia; but not one word of *Peter's* going thither.

That St. *Peter* was at *Antioch* I Allow (but when is uncertain) but that he was *Bishop* of *Antioch* or *Rome*, I cannot Grant. First, Because the Scriptures are wholly silent in the affair; and I assure my self, they would not have been so, in an affair of so great *Importance*, if there had been any thing in it more then meer *Immagination* and Dream. Secondly, Because as an Apostle, his Office was Derived *immediately* from *Christ*, and so was both more *Honourable* and Superior to that of a Bishop, which was only ordained by Men; and therefore, it were no less then madness to think *Peter* so weak, to quit the more *Honourable* for the lesser, or the Superior for an *Inferior*. Thirdly; Because as an Apostle his Commission (GO *ye* forth *and teach all* Nations; *&c.)* was more Universal and Consistant with the then more peculier ends of spreading the Gospel, then that of a Bishoprick; which in those primitive times were commonly confin'd to one single City or Parish. And indeed to accept of a Bishoprick at all, was expresly against that special Command of his Blessed Master; Go ye forth; *&c.* Fourthly, Because *Peter* was Apostle of the Circumcision; and as such writ his Epistles from *babylon* (not to Rome; but) to the scattered Jews; but *Paul* as Apostle of the *Uncircumcision*, was more frequent in Visits, Preaching and Writing to Rome and other Cities of the Gentiles. Fifthly, by reason of the Audience given to *Paul* in the aforesaid Assembly of the Apostles (*Acts* 15. 12.) it seems as if *Peter* till then, was wholly a Stranger to the wonders *Paul* told them he had performed among the Gentiles. And sixthly; Because then (and not till then; after *Paul's* Relation of of their circumstances) it was, the Apostles and Elders, sent *Barsabas* and *Silas* with *paul* to Antioch, *&c.* to Assist in the Ministry. And it is not Unreasonable to Conclude, that if *peter* had before known the need of those helps among the Gentiles (which he

he must have done, if he had been Bishop of Rome) that He, and the Rest who were with him at *Jerusalem*, would no more have neglected the sending more early supplys to Rome, (which then was the most *Imperial* City) then they did to *Samaria* a place of lesser note and people.

And as to her *farther pretended Lenial Succession* of Bishops and Popes; I shall (God willing) hereafter prove, that sometimes that Sea of *Rome*, *was Vacant several Months together*, at other times *Infested*, with no less then two or three *pretenders together*; and often among the rest, with the worst of *Men* and *Heritieks*; and therefore had no such *Lineal, Un-interruped Continual, Succession*; as they pretend to have from Christ and his Apostles.

As to their *First* Argument for *the Supremacy*; I allow the First Proposition; that the *Church of God, is built upon the Foundation of the Prophets and Apostles*; *Jesus Christ himself being the Chief Corner stone*, according to that of (*Ephes.* 2. 20) but the *second* Proposition and Conclusion I deny. *First* because it already hath been, and hereafter more fully shall be proved, that *St. Peter next after Christ himself*, was no more the *Foundation* of *the whole Church, and Pastor of the whole Flock*, then *Paul* or any other of his Fellow Apostles, and *secondly* because that of (*Mat* 16. 18 19 and *John.* 21. 16. 17. 18.) *Thou art Peter and upon this Rock will I build my Church. I will give unto thee the Keys of the Kingdom* of *Heaven*: *and whatsoever thou shalt bind on Earth, shall be bound in Heaven*; *and whatever thou shalt loose on Earth, shall be loosed in Heaven. Feed my Lambs, feed my Sheep, &c.* Was not a Legasie peculier to *Peter*, seperate from the rest of the Apostles; but what was Common to all others of that Blessed Society; for the Donation was not, I give unto thee *Peter* ONLY, or unto thee *Peter* as *only Head of my Church*, AND NO OTHER; but unto thee *Peter*, *an equal Brother*, *an equal portion* of the same Faith and Blessings, which before was *Intail'd* upon each of my other Sons, the Apostles.

Perhaps some may stumble at this straw, and Ask but why, and for what Reason (if not as *Supream Head* of *Christs Church*) was it so particularly applyed to *Peter by Name, more then to any other of the Apostles*; And indeed it is fit that should be Answer'd; And therefore *I* will give you my Opinion of the matter, and that is; there was not that necessity for it in the rest of the Apostles,

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that there was in *Peter*; they were not in the danger that *Peter* was, of *Swearing, Cursing and Denying his Blessed Master*, as we find (*Mat.* 26. 72.) he afterwards did; and therefore wanted not that consolation, which the Saviour of the World judg'd needful for the support of a falling *Peter*, and therefore it was he prayed (*Luke* 22. 31.) *that his Faith should not fail.*

In their *Second Argument*, for *the Supremacy*, I Deny, *Major, Minor and Conclusion* thus: He that is by Gods appointment to Confirm others in the Faith, and is set before others in the Scripture, is not always greater then others in power and Dignity; But St. *Peter* is No more frequently prefered before the other Apostles in Scripture, then they are before him; nor was he by our Saviours Appointment, to confirm the other Apostles; more then they were to confirm him, Therefore St. *Peter* neither was *Above*, or *Head*, or *Primate* of the other Apostles.

What our Adversaries Quote (*Luke* 22. 32.) is Answered in the last preceeding paragraph; And as to that of (*Mat.* 10. 2.) the *Names of the Twelve are these*, First *Simon* called *Peter* &c. it is no more a Mark of *Peters Supremacy*, then the like placing of other Apostles, where in several other parts of the Scripture they are Named before *Peter*, is, of each of them so first named, being such a Primate.

And certainly if *Christ had Invested Peter with any such Dominion*, either *peter* or some of the *Evangelists*, would upon some occasion or other, have mentioned it, but *peter* is no where in Scripture said to be invested, therefore *peter* had no such Dominion as they pretend he had.

As to their Argument, for *peters Removing* from *Antioch* to *Rome*, it were as reasonable to infer, that because he remained not always At *Antioch* that therefore he was always Bishop of *London*: as to say that therefore he removed his Sea to *Rome*. and indeed one is altogether as probable as the other, and will remain so, till it be better proved, he was Bishop either of the one or the other. For supposing, he had been Bishop of *Antioch*, as he was not; it were more reasonable to Conclude, that if there was any necessity for his Removing, and that he did Remove; that it was to *Jerusalem*, because the following Discourse finds him mostly there, and because he was Apostle of the Circumcision; and that was of the *Jews*.

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The moſt Nice Calculators Conclude our Saviour to ſuffer upon our third of *April*, when he was Thirty three Years, three Months & Nine days Old. And the moſt approved of our Adverſaries ſay, that **After the Suffering of our Saviour**, *Peter* was Created Biſhop of *Antioch*, the very ſame Year (and with that Baronius and the foregoing Catalogue agrees) and that after he had held that Sea ſeven Years he removed to *Rome*, and **Continued** Biſhop **there** untill he ſuffer'd under *Nero*, in the Year of Chriſt 69, and by that computation, he continued Biſhop at Rome 28 Years as aforeſaid.

In this ſtory of st. *Peters* being Biſhop **At** Antioch and Rome, I obſerve Firſt. That they ſay, that it was **After** Chriſt ſuffered note that (and not **Before**) that *Peter* was Firſt created Biſhop, & if ſo, pray who created him? Not Chriſt, becauſe he was not Created Biſhop till **After** Chriſt was Aſcended into Heaven. And if the other Apoſtles, he was not ſuperior to them, but they to him; becauſe the Creator is greater then the Created; and if he Aſſum'd it himſelf, that was no better then Uſurpation, which *I* believe none will ſuppoſe he would be guilty off; Therefore he was not Created *Biſhop* of Antioch at all.

2dly. That after he removed from Antioch, he **Continued** not only **Biſhop off**, but alſo **At Rome**, until Martyr'd under Nero; ſo that it ſeems his being Biſhop **of** Rome, is not ſufficient; but to prevent his being charged with his Non-Reſidence, they are poſitive, he alſo **Continued** At **Rome**, all the time they ſuppoſe he held that ſea.

Now if *I* make appear, that st. *Peter* had no ſuch **Continuance At Rome**, it will be hard ſo much as to think, much leſs to imbrace it as an Article of Faith (as the councel of *Trent* 1564 *Injoin'd*) that he was biſhop thereof; OR that therefore the preſent Church of *Rome* is the Mother and *Miſtreſs* of all Churches

At the paſſion of our ſaviour *Peter* was Not at Rome, but at *Jeruſalem*; Witneſs his Diſcourſe with the High-prieſts ſervant, (*Luke* 22. 57. 58. 59. 60.) After that *peter* with the reſt waited on *Mount Olivet*; beholding the Aſcenſion; (*Acts.* 1. 13.) and then returned to *Jeruſalem* to wait for the promiſe (*Acts.* 2.) there He preached to the Multitude (*Acts.* 3. 7.) He healed the Lame Man (*Acts* 4.) He was Impriſoned (*Acts* 7.) He Diſpute

pute with the High-Priest. *Acts* 8. 14. 20. *Peter* and *John* were sent by the other Apostles, from *Jerusalem* to *Samaria*; and there *Peter* Rebuked *Simon* the *Sorceror*. *Acts* 9. 32. he went to *Lydda* and *Joppa*, and there healed *Æneas* of his Palsie, Raised *Dorcas* to Life, and tarryed many days with *Simon* the *Tanner*, thence (*Acts* 10. 1.) he went to *Cornelius* to *Cisirea*; and after he had there *Baptized the Multitude*. **Returned to Jerusalem.** and (*Acts* 11) **Continued there, till Imprisoned by Herod.**

What time all this Business took up, is uncertain; but during his being at *Jerusalem*, *Paul* went to visit him, (*Gal.* 1. 18.) But not till three years after his *Conversion*. (Note that). And *Pauls* Conversion is generally Concluded to be, the *Second* year *after* the *Ascension*; which added to the distance between that, and his going to see *Peter*, makes Five of those years *Assign'd S. Peter* at *Antioch*. And the 12th of the *Acts* makes it plain, that the *Imprisonment of S.* Peter *at Jerusalem*, was the same year, the *Angel Smote* Herod *with Death by Worms*; and that *Josephus* makes to be the 12th of the *Passion*, which is no less then *five* of those *years Assign'd S.* Peter at *Rome*. And *Nicephorius* says, *Peter* was *At Jerusalem*, at the *Death* of the Virgin *Mary*, and that was the 13th of the Passion, and 6th of those assign'd S. *Peter* at *Rome*.

It is before Observ'd, that *Paul's* Conversion, was, the *Second of the Passion*; and that three years after that, he went to *Visit Peter* at *Jerusalem*, Gal. 1. 18. and abode with him *fifteen* Days. And *Gal.* 2. 1. we find that Fourteen years after that first time, he went again to *Jerusalem* with *Barnabas* and *Titus*, (and that was no less then Twelve of those years they assign *Peter* at *Rome*) and then we find *Acts* 15. 7. That *Peter was there* also, and made a Speech to the Assembly.

The Second year of *Nero* was the 24th of the Passion, and the 19th of those Assign'd S *Peter* at *Rome*; and then we find *Acts* 28. that *Paul* being carried prisoner from *Jerusalem* to *Rome*, dwelt Two whole years there in his own House; and tho' he names several others then with him there; yet he makes not the least mention of *Peter's being there*; which certainly he would not have omitted, if he had then been there; and more especially as *Head* of the *Church*, as our Adversaries must needs have him:

But on the contrary, in his Epiſtle from *Rome* to the *Coloſians* (*chap.* 4. *v.* 11, 12.) Nameing *Ariſtarcus*, *Marcus* and *Juſtus*, ſays poſſitively, thoſe named **Only** (and no more) were his fellow helpers: And whatever the preſent Biſhops of *Rome* are, *Peter* was not ſo Lordly, but that if he had then been at *Rome*, he would have helped *Paul* in the Miniſtry. And in his Epiſtle from Rome to *Timothy* (2. *Tim.* 4. 10. 11.) *Paul* ſays, Demos *has forſaken me*, *and is gone to* Theſolonica, Creſens *to* Galatia, *and* Titus *to* Dalmatia, *only* Luke *is with me*: and (verſe 16.) *At my firſt Anſwer no man ſtood with me*; and if no Man ſtood with him at his *firſt Anſwer*, and none but *Luke* at his *ſecond*, 'tis not to be believed that *Peter* was there at either, or indeed at any other time. And therefore our Adverſaries are wholly beſides the Cuſhin, at leaſt for the firſt Nineteen years which they aſſign S. *Peter* at Rome; and if ſo, certainly nothing, but ſuch as have reſolved upon willful Blindneſs, can believe that S. *Peter* had any ſuch **Continuance at Rome**, as our Adverſaries boaſt of; and if not ſuch a **Continuance**, was not **Biſhop** At **Rome**; and if not **Biſhop**, not **Head** of the **Church**; and if not **Head** of the **Church**, the ſince **Biſhops** of **Rome** cannot (as ſuch) be **Lineally** his **Succeſſors**: And therefore the *preſent Church* of Rome, is not either the *Mother* or *Miſtreſs* of all Churches, or at all the *Only true Church of Chriſt*.

But to put an End to my this Years Diſcourſe of the **Fallacy of the Supremacy**, if we have but Faith enough to believe the Scriptures, they tell us, *Luke* 22. 24. that when there was *A Strife among the Apoſtles*, *which of them ſhould be accounted greateſt*, our Saviour told them, verſe 25, and 26. *The Kings of the Gentiles exerciſe Lordſhip over them*; *but* (ſays he) *ye ſhall not be ſo*; *but he that is Greateſt among you*, *let him be as the younger*; *and he that is Chief*, *as him that doth ſerve*: So that it ſeems Chriſt himſelf *Denyed* them any ſuch *Supremacy*. And if Chriſt was in the Right, the Church now in Communion with the Sea of Rome is much in the wrong, to *exerciſe a Juriſdiction* which *Chriſt forbid to his Apoſtles*. And in Conformity to our Saviour's Commands, There was no ſuch thing as *Supremacy*, *heard of in his Church*, till about the Year of Chriſt, 196. How that then, and their other Innovations afterwards Crept in, I muſt for want of roome here; refer to my next, and other Succeeding Almanacks. And for the preſent proceed to my

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General Obſervations for the Year 1699.

THere is no ſuch thing as *perfection under the Sun*; The *Wiſeſt* of *Mortals* have their *Blind-Sides*, and ſometimes are too *Short-ſighted*, to diſtinguiſh even *needful Individuals*: Yet whoever knowingly endeavours to enforce, the *Credit* of *manifeſt falſities*, renders himſelf either a *Fool* or a *Knave* to the World: And he that Pins his *Faith* upon *other Mens Sleeves*, and Captivates his Reaſon to other *Mens Errors*, cannot indeed be deemed much Wiſer.

He that will be certain to *walk ſecurely*, muſt not Implicitly depend (wholly upon other Mens Credit; but) duely weigh his Labours in the *Ballance* of *Reaſon*, and if *conſtant experience* ſays *Amen* to't, he may without hazard, expoſe them to the Publique.

It was the *too Common Practiſe* of the *former*, and *neglect* of the the *Latter*, that gave Room to *Gaſſendus*, *Gauricus*, *Picus-Mirandula*, *Gattacre*, and *Chambers* of Old, and other Learned Men more lately, to *Cry out againſt* and *Ridicule Aſtrology*, as an Art both *Vain* & *Frivelous*; & indeed as that *Noble Art* then was, and *ſtill is abuſed*, they were not to be blamed; for as of all Enemies, the pretended Friend is the moſt Dangerous: ſo of all *Men* living, the *Pretenders to Aſtrology, have given the greateſt occaſion to Deſpiſe and Blemiſh her Beauty*. For tho' there has been Printed even in *Europe*, ſince the Year 1521. above three Hundred ſeveral Vollumes, which Treat of Aſtrology, and ſome of them very large too, and among them above one Hundred in the Engliſh tongue; yet in all that number, a very few (and thoſe too only, who have ſtuck cloſe to the Text of the ever *Renouned Ptolomy* (but More eſpetially in the Engliſh not one) but what hath been writ by the Ingenious *Mr. Partridge*, will abide the Teſt of Truth; but have rather Added to her Diſcredit then the Contrary, and ſerve only to Delude the Unwary, into Labarinths of Folly and Errour.

'Tis Twenty to One, but my Conjuring Friend; *Cumpſty*, *Ritcheſon*, *Newel*, and the reſt of the Tribe of *Almanack-Makers*, and other pretenders to *Aſtrology* in *Ireland*, as well as *England*, who endeavour to pick up Bread by the advantage of theſe delu-

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sions, may Cry out as loud against this Doctrine, as *Demetrius* the Silver Smith and his Brethren did, against that of St. *Paul* at *Ephesus*, for the preservation of their *Goddess Diana*. But if they do, (let them Bellow and welcome;) I shall never envy the *Ignorance* of any, who are either too Wise or Conceited, to endeavour better Information.

That such *Ignorants*, as *Cumsty*, *Ritcheson* and such other pretenders to *Almanacks* and *Astrology*, who want Sence enough to Write two Lines of true English, or Art to Calculate the *Solar Ingresses*, or the *Change*, *Full* and *Quarters* of the *Moon*, as you may by my last perceive *Cumpsty* did, the two or three last Years; and by this the like, in those of *Ritcheson* and *Newel* for this Year; I say that such Ignorants should oppose what they cannot Comprehend, I do not in the least admire; but that Mr. *Coley*, who many Years since, Boasted of strange Secrets left him by Mr. *Lilly*, not known to other Astrologers, or Mr. *Gadbury*, who for many Years past, have made all *Europe* Ring, of a more then Ordinary Zeal, for the improvement of *Astrology*; should out of a Captious Humour, because the light came not first in through their own Windows, willfully shut their Eyes against it; and take so much Paine as they did in their last Years Almanacks, to Decry what they had so long before Roared out for, to me seems something odd.

Whatever the World may conceive of Mr. *Coley's* parts, I am perswaded Mr. *Gadbury's* understanding, was long since convinc'd by the Learned Sr. *Edward Deering*, that what he Stiles the *Placidian Astrology*, is only what is able of that Art, to abide the *Fiery Tryals* of *Reason* and *Continued experience*; and therefore I cannot but conclude, that it is not, for want of knowing better things, that *Mr. Gadbury* seems to oppose so known a Truth; but out of *Pet*, because the Discovery was not first made by himself; or else because he would not have it said, that he should at the Age of more then 70 Years, Confess, he had lived so long, and Writ so many Books as he has done of Astrology, and yet remain'd a Stranger to the matter he pretended to instruct others in, *viz.* the Doctrine of Nativities

If I were not unwilling to Rake up the Ashes of the Dead, *I* could be as particular in hundreds of others, to maintain *that the pretended favours of Astrology, have been her greatest Enemies*: but

but *Mr. Gadbury* and *Mr. Coley* are yet living, and able to ſpeak for themſelves; and therefore it is, while they are ſo, that *I* hereby affert (and am ready to maintain) that all their Books they have Writ in Aſtrolgy, are Forraign to the Genuine principles of that Art; and that therefore, whoever is guided only by ſuch principles (as *Cumpſty* and moſt of the other publick pretenders to Aſtrology, in theſe three Kingdoms are) muſt be ſtrangers to their pretentions; and Conſequently pick-pockets and Nuſances to the publick. And I aſſure you Reader, it is not out of any Siniſter ends; or prejudice to any Man, I have ſaid what I have; but purely, and only, to prevent others being abuſed; and Deluded; and Aſtrology being Scandaliz'd through ſuch means for the future; and whoſoever is offended at that, may turn the buckle of their Girdle behind them.

If *Truth* be a *Crime* I confeſs my ſelf Guilty. What I plead for, is no *New Fangle*, or *Whimſical Innovation* of my own, or any late Authors; but what about Two Thouſand Years ſince, was at the vaſt expence of the *Egyptian Monarchy*, *Collected* from the *Wiſeſt Sages of the Eaſt*, and in the Method we now find it, tranſmitted to Poſterity, by the never enough to be Praiſed *Claudius Ptolomeus*, Profeſſor of the Mathematicks, to the then King of *Egypt*; and for Aſtrology, the moſt Famous that we Read of before or ſince: And what (where fully underſtood) will endure the Fiery Oder, as long as Sun and Moon endure; and whatever Rules in Aſtrology are not Conſtant with theſe, are not Aſtrology; but a *Gingling*, *Gipſy*, like *Cheate*, and *Whimſical Inventions*, Greedily ſuck't from one to another, without ever bringing them to the Tryal; and what will never ſtand the Teſt, except by Chance, as a blind Man may catch a Hare.

I am not yet ſo old, to be aſhamed to own, that for many Years, I knew of no other Aſtrology, but what then was, and ſtill is, too common to others; but when I put it to the tryal, found my ſelf in ſuch *Labyrinths* of *Uncertainties*, that I almoſt fainted, and grew ſick of the Study; and when (without vanity I can boldly ſay it) I knew as much as any of the Publick Profeſſors then in *England*: I found it as uncertain as the Weather-cock. Something I confeſs I could See, but what, or how far of, could never preſend to aſſurance, till the Event had Inform'd me, and providence open'd my Eyes; and by Diligence and Labour, I found the Road to more certain knowledge. To

To Conclude this Discourse, I had some thoughts here to discaunt a little on an idle Pamphlet, published in *Dublin*, about *Christmas*, 1697. by that poor *Paper-scul'd fellow Andrew Cumsty*; but finding that already reasonably done by Mr. *Foligh*, who formerly received some Instructions from me; and withal being here straightned for room, shall Refer both that, and another he published in *October*, 1698. to an Answer, which I hereby promise he shall not want long, after the publishing of this. And so hasten to,

THe **Winter Ingress**, which influenceth the first part of this Year, began according to *Gadbury's Ephemeris December* the 11th. 53 minus after 4 in the Morning 1698. but according to *Argols Ephemris*, 45 min. after 5 in the Morning; which makes no less then 14 Degrees difference in the Cusp of the 10th. and 9 in the Ascendant, tho' not much in the Judgement, for which I refer you to my Observations on *January*, *February* and *March*, and so proceed to

THe **Vernal Ingress** or **Winter Quarter**, begins at *Dublin*, according to the Calculation of our *Mugletonian Prophetick* **Irish Merlin**, *William Ritchejon*, in his Almanack for this Year 1699. *March* the 10th. 5 min. after 4 in the Morning, but by *Newels Almanack* 51 min. after 4. By *Argols Ephemeris*. exactly at 5. By *Gadbury's Ephemeris*, 4 min. after 5. and by *Streets Tables*, 43 min. after 6 the same morning. By the first not Aquary (as *Ritchejon* according to his wonted Custom fillily Dreams) but 28 of *Capricorn* Ascends the *Horison*. By the 2d. 18 of *Aquary*: By the 3d. 22 of *Aquary*. By the 4th, 24 of *Aquary*. By the last 28 of *Aries*. So that between the first, and last, there is 2 hours 38 min. difference in time; and in the Ascendant no less then 3 whole signs; which according to the Common *Astrology*, will beget a Judgment vastly different. I have not time to Examine whence *Mr. Ritchejon* deduc't his; but I shrewdly suspect (for all his pretences to teaching the *Mathematicks*,) that he is out in his Calculation 48 min. as he is in several of his *Changes*, and *Quarters* of the *Moon*, sometimes more then half so many hours. However I desire him with his *Prophetick Spirit*, *Newel* with all his *Reason*, and *Cumpsty* with his *Mathematicks*, in their next, to let the World know, *how these differences can be Reconciled to their Astrology*, or else not think

think much, if it be concluded, they know nothing of the matter; and that all their pretentions to predictions, are only *uncertain, Imaginary Delaſions*, wholly *Irreconſilable* to the *principals* of *Aſtrology*; and nothing but *hit* or *miſs*, according as the *Chance accidentally happens.*

But to the matter in Hand, whichſoever time or figure is taken, I expect the latter part of the laſt *Quarter*, or the begining of *this*, will contribute luſtily to a *General Peace*, between the *Chriſtians* & *Turks*; and toward *Confirming Leagues* and *Friendſhip*, between ſeveral Nations, for the Carrying on ſome great ends, which I Incline to Conjecture may ſhew themſelves before this *Summer Quarter be fully Expir'd*. Whatever they may be; they will be attended with *Blows* and *Bloody Noſes*, before their Effects are over; and ſuch too, as will *pittifully* harraſs and effect the Common People of ſome *Nation*, *Eaſt* or *South*, from *England*, I expect that either this Quarter or the beginning of the next; will give an Inſight into ſome of thoſe predictions, *mention'd in the General Obſervations of my laſt Years Almanack*; and among the reſt, I cannot perſwade my ſelf, but there will about that time be, ſomething more then Ordinary, to do in *France* or *Spain*, or both, but Chiefly the former, and I veryly believe notwithſtanding the long expectations, had of his Death, that the King of the latter, Lives to ſee it.

The *Spring* and *Summer* in General; will ſupply us with Variety of *odd News*, and much of it *Surprizeing too*; and among the reſt, ſtrange *Debates* about Perſons, and Things, Relating to *Laws Religion* and *Settlement*; which for a time will unſettle things of that Nature, and beget uneaſie Diſputes between ſome Prince and his Clergy: However, His Majeſty of Great Brittaine is Highly Courted; and Honourably Adreſt, both at home, and from ſome of the moſt Toping Neighbouring States; but chiefly of *Europe*. Yet I wiſh this Spring, or Summer do not produce ſome Roguery, even in the City of *London*: At leaſt, I doubt they will give uneaſineſs in their moſt *Material Councels*, if not *worſer* trouble in *Flanders*. And I think the *Empire* or *Emperor* of *Germany*, will not be altogether free from ſome under hand Villanies; nor the Duke of *Bavary* from ſome diſturbance either in Mind or Health, or Body, or altogether.

I have by me ſeveral other Remarks upon the Affairs of this

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[illegible] to a particular Treatise; which I intend in a short time to publish, of the Ecclips, and other occurrances of this Year: [illegible] Chiefly Respecting the great Ecclips of the Sun, which h[illegible] upon the 13th of *September*; of which *I* have already tre[illegible] my Observations of that Month; besides which there w[illegible] is year three *Ecclips* more; The *First* of the *Moon* very [illegible] *Invissible*, *March* the *5th* near 8 at Night; the *Second* a s[illegible] of the *Sun*, *March* 21 near 7 in the Morning *Invissi*[illegible] *Third*, of the *Moon Total*, but to us *Invissible* also.

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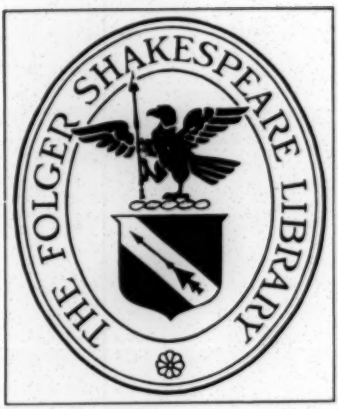
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